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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SECURITY COMMITTEE

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30 December 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary, USIB

SUBJECT : Status of Ongoing/Pending Security Committee
Actions - December 1974

At the request of the Chairman, the Director of Central Intelligence addressed the Security Committee at its December meeting. The Director underscored his continuing interest in the actions of the Committee and in security problems being addressed by the Committee. The spectrum of security-related issues ranged from unauthorized disclosures to the potential security difficulties which might be anticipated under the amended Freedom of Information Act. The Director was assured by the Chairman that the Security Committee would do its best in the coming year to meet these problems.

COMPLETED ACTIONS

(a) In connection with organizational activities, the Compartmentation Subcommittee, chaired by [redacted] Special Security Center, CIA, and the Technical Surveillance Countermeasures Subcommittee, chaired by Mr. Victor E. Dikeos, Department of State, met in formal session during December. Combined with the ongoing activities of the Computer Security Subcommittee under the recently designated chairmanship of [redacted] Program Development Division, NSA, the Security Committee is now completely organized and functioning. This satisfies the Letter of Instruction task of the DCI which called for reorganization of the Security Committee to full operational status by January 1975.

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(b) A "Study of Provocations and Harassments Against US Citizens in East European Countries" has been completed and

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disseminated to member agencies as background material in preparation of Defensive and Realities Briefings of official US travelers. This completes an LOI task.

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(d) The Chairman and the Executive Secretary had a second meeting with Ms. Emily Sheketoff of the Murphy Commission at her request with regard to questions about compartmentation practices of the intelligence community. Ms. Sheketoff was told that compartmentation represented an extension of the need-to-know concept and did not conflict with or supercede normal classification of material.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

(a) Review of DCID 1/7, "Control of Dissemination of Intelligence." Tasked by the Board. The Compartmentation Subcommittee has been requested to conduct the initial review and prepare coordinated recommendations for the Security Committee. An organizational and tasking meeting has been held and proposals of the community members have been requested.

(b) As an outgrowth of this task, the Security Committee has been requested to review the request of the AEC to consider the national nuclear laboratories as extensions of the AEC intelligence functions rather than as contractors. A meeting has been held with a representative of the AEC and supporting justification has been offered. The request and the additional information will be considered during the revision of DCID 1/7.

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(c) The Chairman, Security Committee, as a representative of the IC Staff, has attended numerous meetings of the Freedom of Information Act Working Group and is following procedures developed under this act as they will apply to the IC Staff.

(d) In the interest of expediting publication, the Security Committee has agreed to conduct necessary coordination on the final draft prepared by the Computer Security Subcommittee of the "Intelligence Community Policy Paper on Computer Security." This policy paper incorporates and extends the precepts contained in DCID 1/16, "Security of Compartmented Computer Operations."

(e) A Working Group of the Security Committee continues efforts related to determination of community requirements of a

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[redacted] The Working Group has drafted a "Proposed User Requirements Design" and will submit this to computer specialists for costing. The suspense date for completion of this study has been set for February 1975.

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